

REMARKS

Claims 1-19, 24-30, and 32-52 remain pending in the application. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

The Office has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 1-19, 24-30, 32-50, drawn to a cryptographic API and separate device for creating encrypted communications, classified in class 713, subclass 192.
- II. Claims 51 and 52, drawn to operating a SIM-WIM by detecting both the requirement for encryption for a node and detecting the requirement for encryption of an external device and carrying out encryption operations, classified in class 713, subclass 153.

In response, Applicant respectfully elects Group I, represented by claims 1-19, 24-30, and 32-50.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Prompt notice of same is respectfully requested.

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